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TO: Chief Sector Stewards

FROM: Sharon Smith, Health Benefits Specialist

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RE: 3-D Mammograms

NYSCOPBA has received notification that until recently, 3-D mammograms had been considered unproven technology by both Empire Blue Cross and United HealthCare, resulting in a denial of coverage. However, effective February 20, 2017, services rendered on or after that date for 3-D mammograms will be a covered service.

Services already performed and denied on or after that date will be re-adjudicated as a covered service and paid as follows: services performed by an in-network provider will be covered with no copayment; services performed by an out-of-network provider will be subject to deductible and coinsurance.

The Department of Civil Service plans to post this information on their "What's New" section of NYSHIP's website and will consider an article in an upcoming Empire Plan Report. Any help you can give in sharing this information with the membership is appreciated.

Should any member have a question in regards to this memo, have them contact me.

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cc: NYSCOPBA Executive Board
NYSCOPBA Jt. Committee on Health Benefits